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1. NASA REPORTED REFTEL INVITATION FOR SOVIET PARTICIPA-
TION IN LUNAR AND PLANETARY SCIENCE CONFERENCE IN HOUSTON
MARCH 13-17 BASED ON SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS BY SOVIET
SCIENTISTS. NASA HAS JUST RECEIVED LETTER FROM BARSUKOV,
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VERNADSKY INSTITUTE, TO HINNERS, NASA ASSOCIATE ADMINISTRA-
TOR FOR SPACE SCIENCE INDICATING PLANNED ATTENDANCE OF
SIDORENKO, VICE-PRESIDENT SOVIET ACADEMY, SURKOV, BOGATIKOV
AND BARSUKOV AT CONFERENCE AND PROPOSING FOLLOWING POST-
CONFERENCE ITINERARY: MARCH 19 GRAND CANYON; MARCH 20 USGS
CENTER OF ASTROGEOLOGY, FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA; MARCH 22-23
CAL TECH AND NASA'S JET PROPULSION LABORATORY (JPL).

2. PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM HINNERS TO BARSUKOV THROUGH INTERCOSMOS.

3. MARCH 8, 1978 04.03.02 04.03.05

PROFESSOR V. L. BARSUKOV
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DEAR PROFESSOR BARSUKOV:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR RECENT LETTER. I AM PLEASED THAT YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES PLAN TO ATTEND THE 9TH LUNAR AND PLANETARY SCIENCE CONFERENCE AT THE JOHNSON SPACE CENTER (JSC) IN HOUSTON, TEXAS ON MARCH 13-17.

I PLAN TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15 AND TO PRESENT A TALK THAT EVENING AT A SPECIAL SESSION ON PLANETARY EXPLORATION. I WOULD BE GLAD TO MEET WITH YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES ON THE MORNING OF MARCH 16, WHILE I AM AT JSC, TO DISCUSS INFORMALLY OTHER MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST, INCLUDING THE PLANS FOR THE VISIT OF A
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SOVIET SCIENTIST TO THE US AS A PART OF THE AGREEMENT FOR THE EXCHANGE OF SCIENTISTS FOR LUNAR STUDIES.

MR. FRUTKIN, NASA INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, NOTIFIED MR. VERESHCHETIN, INTERCOSMOS, WHICH ABSTRACTS HAD BEEN SELECTED FOR ORAL PRESENTATION AT THE CONFERENCE. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO KNOW WHICH OF THOSE PAPERS WILL BE PRESENTED BY YOUR DELEGATION AND WHO THE PRESENTERS WILL BE. SINCE WE HAVE RECEIVED ABSTRACTS ONLY, AND IN VIEW OF THE TIME IT TAKES TO TRANSLATE AN ENTIRE PAPER IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF YOU COULD BRING YOUR PAPERS IN ENGLISH.

WITH REGARD TO THE PROPOSED POST-CONFERENCE TRIPS, WE HAVE ARRANGED A VISIT TO THE US GEOLOGICAL SURVEY IN FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA (MARCH 20) AND TO CAL TECH AND JPL AT PASADENA, CALIFORNIA (MARCH 22-23).

PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR FLIGHT PLANS FROM NEW YORK TO HOUSTON SO THAT YOU CAN BE MET AT THE AIRPORT. WE ARE ARRANGING HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS IN HOUSTON FOR YOUR GROUP.

WE WELCOME YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE 9TH LUNAR AND

PLANETARY SCIENCE CONFERENCE, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO
MEETING YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES ON THE 16TH.

SINCERELY,

NOEL W. HINNERS
ASSOCIATE ADMINISTRATOR
FOR SPACE SCIENCE

CC:
MR. VERESHCHETIN, INTERCOSMOS

4. FYI: VISA AUTHORIZATION SENT SEPTTEL.

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